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FRIDAY, AUGUST 22, 1913.

Howse and Cooper.

Mr. Noah W. Cooper, who is before the people of this city for the office of Mayor, says he was born in South Carolina, the home of Ben Tillman, who bears the distinction of being one of the most rabid Negro haters who has ever set in the United States Senate. We do not say that Mr. Cooper is of the same make-up as Senator Tillman. Mr. Cooper's record in this city would entirely erase every stamp of Tillmanism, but he says he was born in South Carolina. Negroes of Nashville are familiar with the declaration that he loves the memory of his "old black mammy." This is one of Mr. Cooper's strong points. It is a matter of record, however, that a certain society in this state on one occasion was forced to change its charter. Mr. Cooper was consulted about this affair and he made the modest charge of \$300 for his services. We suppose it was worth every penny of that amount, but it does seem that a man with genuine sympathy might have done the job for much less. It appeared to be a pretty big price for such services, as the members are more or less poor, but they are honest and industrious, believing what a white man says, especially if he has the ability to base his conditions on the Bible, and this we all know Mr. Cooper can do. In fact, he has promised to run this city government from a Biblical standpoint which is to be admired. Whether it is pictured or not, Mr. Cooper is making a great many promises. In days that have passed and gone this same thing was done, but the people have not forgotten about these promises and how they were broken. How hands became "tied."

The present Mayor, Hon. H. E. Howse, has been the Chief Executive of this city four years. We challenge any man to cite where he has made a promise to the Negro citizens that he has not endeavored to carry out. We do not say that all of them have been carried out, but we do say that Mayor Howse has striven to carry them out and in most cases he has done so.

Every school teacher in this city knows that the vacation salary was begun for them at the same time it was for the white teachers. The same is true as regards free text books; we remember the recommendation for a colored nurse; we know of the purchasing of Hadley Park and we know how hard Mayor Howse worked to have the State Normal located here, and for the provision of a Carnegie Library; and we know further that Mayor Howse favors a High School for Negroes located in a respectable section of the city, and we have just cause to believe that if he is re-elected Mayor that he will still favor all of these things and we have just cause to believe that he will do more than any man running for the office to bring these things to pass.

Reducing the thing to its final analysis, the question is this: What is to the best interest of the Negro citizens of Nashville, to have a mayor whose record is known or to have one who has no record in a like capacity?

Who Cares?

Last Saturday afternoon there was a spectacle on the public square of this city that was painful. Officers alighted from a street car with between forty and fifty laboring men and boys chained together as prisoners. The boys were between 12 and 14 years of age.

These men had been brought in from the railroad camps, a few miles from the city. They were charged with gaming. They were, of course, fined something, a part of which went into the pockets of the Deputy

Sheriff. The little boys were too young to be given even a work house sentence and could only be sent to the State Reformatory. The officers may have been justified under the law in making the arrest, but if they were we question the wisdom of such a law. It is a common thing for men who work in railroad camps to play cards and shoot craps; no one knows this better than a deputy sheriff, and they lay plans to swoop down upon a large portion of these men and place them under arrest. As a rule the boss man of the camp will put up the money for their release or will go their bond; the men are fined and the boss man pays the fine and takes it out of their wages.

In many cases when these arrests are made two or three may be playing craps and forty or fifty standing around, some having no thought of gambling, and no knowledge that gambling is going on. Many times some are looking on, as it is the most natural thing for men to do when any kind of a game is being played in their presence; under such circumstances it does not seem fair that these men should be arrested, chained and marched through the street as cattle; and even little boys of ten years arrested with them and marched through the streets and locked in prison and may become hardened criminals, simply because two or three men decide to waste their money by gambling it away.

These men are hard laborers, they may be indiscreet, but they are not all criminals. Being miles away from home and friends and in a lonely railroad camp, where life is most miserable under the best conditions, the human heart seeks some kind of relief from the daily toil. The railroad managers make no provision for their comfort, church people and Christian workers are not encouraged to visit their camps, and so what must the poor fellows do? Weary from hard toil they easily fall victim to an invitation to play craps. The Deputy Sheriff watches for these opportunities, and when the crowd gathers and the game is in progress they swoop down upon them and they arrest every man in sight; they are carried to prison, fined, and upon their release they are allowed to return to their work to pay back the fine. It is a pitiful condition and yet, who cares?

Somebody ought to care; these men are human beings; they toil day and night that railroads may be built, not for their pleasure, but for

the pleasure of those who are educated and refined; the minister, the teacher, the doctor, the wealthy business class; in fact all who have plenty and who hold high stations in life; these men work that they may have the greatest pleasure that human genius can provide. Yet when these men are mistreated as they are in the courts, punished for no crime in the true sense of the term, nobody lifts a voice of protestation. It is a disgrace to our civilization to have these conditions exist. It is a blot upon Christianity to suffer these men to stay in camp year in and year out and never hear the gospel. In the great judgment day when those whose duty it is to point out a way to a higher and better life shall come up to be judged of their stewardship, and when it shall be said unto them, "I was in prison and you visited me not," the thought will come to many that I could have thought of my fellowman when he was in the railroad camps, and was from there carried into prison and unjustly treated; I could have visited him there, and woe be unto me that I did it not.

It requires courage to fight the battles of humanity, and yet it must be done if our civilization is to be conserved. We must not allow it to remain a fact that "nobody cares."

NOTICE.

The Nashville Hosiery Mills, 1708 Cedar Street, Nashville, Tenn., have opened a department in this mill for colored girls and can give employment to one hundred or more respectable girls.

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WOMAN'S DAY.

The First Baptist Church, of East Nashville, will have Woman's Day at their church Sunday and the aid of the different churches of the city is invited. An excellent program will be rendered and Dr. A. M. Townsend will speak.

MAYOR HOWSE'S STATEMENT

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cheap and low and favorable the tax rate in Nashville is as compared with the tax rate of other cities. During my entire administration the tax rate in the old part of Nashville has only been \$15 on each \$1,000 worth of taxable property, while the tax rate applied in the vast territory

taken into the city in 1907 has only been \$13 on each \$1,000 worth of taxable property. Below is given the tax rates in some other cities, as compiled by the Federal Department of Commerce and Labor:

City	Tax Rate Per \$1,000.
Baltimore, Md.	\$19 50
Rochester, N. Y.	19 69
St. Paul, Minn.	24 20
Norfolk, Va.	17 00
St. Louis, Mo.	20 55
Cleveland, O.	35 54
Louisville, Ky.	17 70
Columbus, O.	26 70
Atlanta, Ga.	16 40
Memphis, Tenn.	17 60
Dallas, Tex.	17 50
Houston, Tex.	18 00
Charleston, S. C.	30 25
Chattanooga, Tenn.	16 50
Knoxville, Tenn.	17 00
Galveston, Tex.	18 38
Nashville, Tenn.	15 00

It will be readily observed from the above tabulation that Nashville's government has not been run upon an extravagant basis. I am proud of what has been accomplished during the years that I have been the Mayor of this city. I repeat that Nashville's finances for those years have been faithfully, honestly and economically conserved and administered, and no candidate can ride into office upon a platform that announces to the contrary. The facts are too well known and too easy of ascertainment for such an effort to be crowned with success.

Respectfully,
HILARY E. HOWSE, Mayor.

R. H. Worke

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Finance

If Elected I promise my undivided devotion to the welfare of the municipality.

Primary Sept. 11th

Lest You Forget

HILARY E. HOWSE

while a member of the State Senate, procured the passage of the law, which made it possible for the Park Commissioners to buy and sell land for park purposes.

HILARY E. HOWSE

originated the idea of establishing a park for the exclusive use of the colored people and Hadley Park is the only park in the United States owned by the City and dedicated for the sole use of the Negro race.

HILARY E. HOWSE

originated, recommended and put in force the proposition to furnish free text books to the poor children of the City of Nashville, and this order applies to both colored and white alike. This one recommendation has saved the poor people of the city of Nashville many thousand dollars.

MAYOR HOWSE

originated, recommended and finally induced the Honorable Board of Education and the Honorable City Council to provide sufficient funds to pay school teachers twelve months in the year. This applies to white and colored alike.

HILARY E. HOWSE

is directly responsible for the erection of the Tuberculosis Hospital and one-half of the space of the building is devoted to the care of the colored people afflicted with the dread white plague.

HILARY E. HOWSE

in connection with Mr. G. H. Baskett, worked faithfully for many months in an effort to induce Mr. Andrew Carnegie to donate sufficient money to erect a Branch Library for the exclusive use of the colored race. In this effort he was successful and the Institution will soon be erected.

HILARY E. HOWSE

has given more than his salary to the poor people of the City of Nashville during his four years in office. More than 5,000 colored people have been given relief in the way of clothes, fuel, medicine or provisions.

HILARY E. HOWSE

caused the County Court to be called in special session in order to induce the members thereof to make an additional donation in order to secure the location of the Negro Normal in Davidson County, otherwise this Institution would have gone to Chattanooga.

HILARY E. HOWSE

believes in a fair, impartial government for all the people, regardless of race or creed, and if re-elected will devote his energies to promoting the welfare of all the people, regardless of race or color.

MAYOR HOWSE

favors all the declarations outlined in the meeting held by the colored people of the Third Ward on August 7th, 1913.

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